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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:  
Okawa et al.

Application No.: 09/827,841

Filed: April 6, 2001

For: ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT AND METHOD :  
FOR PROCESSING DIGITAL SERIAL :  
DATA AT BUS INITIALIZATION PHASE :  
IN INTERFACE UNIT :

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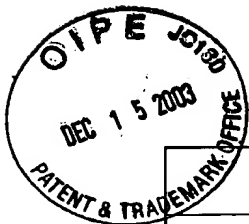
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed September 12, 2003, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.



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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Applicant(s): Sumihiro Okawa and Kiyoshi Miura

Invention: ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING DIGITAL  
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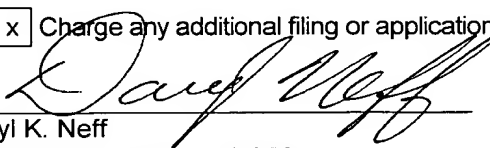
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## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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